

**Table 2-4**  
**Washington Labor Force: Historical and Forecast**  
**Civilian Non-Institutional**  
**Population**

Civilian Non-Institutional Population					Labor Force			Labor Force Participation Rate		
Year	Total Population	Total 16 & Over	Male 16 & Over	Female 16 & Over	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1980	4,132,200	3,061,000	1,479,700	1,581,200	1,984,600	1,157,200	827,400	64.8	78.2	52.3
1981	4,229,300	3,128,100	1,511,000	1,617,100	1,996,800	1,158,300	838,500	63.8	76.7	51.9
1982	4,276,500	3,166,500	1,530,300	1,636,100	2,024,500	1,160,700	863,700	63.9	75.8	52.8
1983	4,307,200	3,193,200	1,541,600	1,651,600	2,068,400	1,174,300	894,100	64.8	76.2	54.1
1984	4,354,100	3,234,100	1,561,100	1,672,900	2,050,400	1,169,300	881,100	63.4	74.9	52.7
1985	4,415,800	3,282,600	1,584,800	1,697,900	2,090,400	1,181,800	908,600	63.7	74.6	53.5
1986	4,462,200	3,330,300	1,608,900	1,721,400	2,198,500	1,220,700	977,800	66.0	75.9	56.8
1987	4,527,100	3,388,600	1,637,100	1,751,500	2,257,500	1,234,400	1,023,200	66.6	75.4	58.4
1988	4,616,900	3,454,300	1,667,800	1,786,500	2,315,800	1,247,100	1,068,700	67.0	74.8	59.8
1989	4,728,100	3,537,000	1,708,400	1,828,600	2,450,900	1,305,200	1,115,400	69.3	79.4	59.9
1990	4,866,700	3,640,900	1,763,600	1,877,300	2,537,500	1,378,100	1,159,400	69.7	78.1	61.8
1991	5,021,300	3,739,600	1,813,300	1,926,300	2,535,100	1,372,700	1,162,400	67.8	75.7	60.3
1992	5,141,200	3,824,500	1,856,900	1,967,700	2,648,200	1,431,700	1,216,400	69.2	77.1	61.8
1993	5,265,700	3,912,500	1,902,700	2,009,800	2,701,200	1,456,100	1,245,100	69.0	76.5	62.0
1994	5,364,300	3,988,000	1,940,700	2,047,400	2,716,400	1,474,600	1,241,800	68.1	76.0	60.7
1995	5,470,100	4,069,500	1,981,600	2,087,900	2,810,100	1,525,300	1,284,800	69.1	77.0	61.5
1996	5,567,800	4,151,100	2,022,200	2,128,900	2,878,600	1,558,900	1,319,700	69.3	77.1	62.0
1997	5,663,800	4,230,300	2,061,000	2,169,200	2,981,200	1,609,800	1,371,400	70.5	78.1	63.2
1998	5,750,000	4,308,600	2,102,100	2,206,500	3,037,200	1,641,700	1,395,500	70.5	78.1	63.2
1999	5,830,800	4,385,400	2,141,700	2,243,700	3,074,600	1,662,000	1,412,600	70.1	77.6	63.0
2000	5,894,100	4,457,000	2,176,700	2,280,200	3,045,800	1,642,800	1,403,000	68.3	75.5	61.5
2001	5,974,900	4,528,700	2,213,000	2,315,700	3,057,400	1,645,200	1,412,200	67.5	74.3	61.0
Forecast										
2005	6,233,345	4,779,100	2,339,300	2,439,800	3,228,100	1,724,500	1,503,600	67.5	73.7	61.6
2010	6,648,112	5,148,300	2,526,400	2,621,900	3,457,600	1,834,200	1,623,400	67.2	72.6	61.9
2015	7,096,501	5,488,200	2,697,500	2,790,700	3,637,300	1,929,100	1,708,200	66.3	71.5	61.2
2020	7,545,269	5,822,800	2,864,200	2,958,600	3,790,200	2,008,100	1,782,100	65.1	70.1	60.2
2026	8,058,527	6,221,400	3,060,600	3,160,800	3,981,000	2,101,800	1,879,200	64.0	68.7	59.5

**Notes:**

Total population is based on the November 2001 official Office of Financial Management population estimates and forecasts.

Total population estimates and forecasts are for April 1 of each year.

Estimates/forecasts of civilian non-institutional population, labor force, and labor force participation rate are "annual average" measurements.

Projection of the civilian non-institutional population is based on 1990 proportion of the male and female Washington population participating in the military or residing in prisons, nursing homes, and other institutions.

Labor force participation rates represent the proportion of the civilian non-institutional population that is employed or unemployed based on federal Bureau of Labor Statistics definitions.